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December 19 Caravan at Chappy's with Juke Joint Sinners on stage!



About The Sinners...

Juke Box Sinners is a newly formed four-piece band comprised of veteran musicians from the Iowa/Illinois/Quad Cities. Although the group as a whole is new, it's not the first time its members have played together. Their earlier projects together have been with some of the Quad Cities top bands including John Resch and the Detroit Blues, Shane Johnson's Blue Train and The Mercury Brothers.

Guitar work for the band is handled by two of the areas very best players, Shane Johnson and Mercury Brothers guitarist Wade Braggs. Vocals and bass guitar are belted

out by Blue Train and Detroit Blues frontman, John Resch— and on drums, the powerful, "rock flavored," Daniel Rangel.

The band performs their own material and unique interpretations of contemporary and classic Blues numbers with power and passion. Don't miss a chance to catch this fresh, new lineup. You won't regret it.

A Note from Gary...

The second Blues Caravan of the Cedar Rapids Caravan season blasts off with Juke Joint Sinners on Tuesday, December 19, from 7 until 11 PM at Chappy's Safari, 229 - 16th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids. Phone number is 319-364-9817.

The fun begins at 7 o'clock with KCCK's Bobby D spinnin' some great tunes and by 7:30 the Sinners will hit the stage.

You're in for a special treat that will keep your mind and feet happy for a long time. And let's not forget the door prizes. Bobby will be handing out tickets and drawing for prizes.

The Blues Caravans are a monthly traveling show featuring some of Iowa's finest local and regional talent. Put on your wig hat baby 'cause we're goin' out tonight!

Keepin' the Blues Alive!

Gary Gibson, Entertainment Chair

- And coming Tuesday, January 16th, at the Next Door, the great Dave Zollo and the Body Electric are preparing a fantastic evening of red-hot Blues for all you Blues Hounds! Put the date on your calendar now!

Past & upcoming Blues Caravans rock!

Tony Brown and Band rock The Fifth Gear November 21



Tony Brown kicked off our Blues Caravan season at The Fifth Gear.

Tony's musical career spans 40 years and his style of music has diversified while maintaining his musical integrity and has evolved into a high quality professional hybrid of all the cultural, musical experiences of his life. That was quite apparent at The Fifth Gear. Bill Ray sent this photo of Tony rockin' the house. Thanks, Bill!

Here's a look at the 2006-2007 Caravan schedule

• Tuesday, November 21:

The Fifth Gear, 4617 J Street SW, Cedar Rapids, 366-2177
Band: Tony Brown

• Tuesday, December 19:

Chappy's Safari, 229 - 16th Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids, 364-9817
Band: Juke Joint Sinners

• Tuesday, January 16:

Next Door, 363-0367
Cedar Rapids
Band: Dave Zollo and the Body Electric

• Tuesday, February 20:

Cocktails & Company, 377-1140
1625 Blairs Ferry Road, Cedar Rapids
Band: Matt Woods

• Tuesday, March 20:

The Longbranch, 377-6386
90 Twixt Town Road NE, Marion
Band: Dennis McMurrin

• Tuesday, April 17:

Checker's Tavern, 364-9927
3120 - 6th Street SW, Cedar Rapids
The Blue Band



"Keeping the Blues Alive in Eastern Iowa!"



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- Discount admissions to many local Blues activities
- Monthly LCBS BLUESPAPER
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Moving? Send new address to LCBS, PO Box 2672, Cedar Rapids IA 52406-2672 so you won't miss a single issue of your BLUESPAPER.

We're sorry to have them go...

1950s R&B star Ruth Brown dies at age 78

Singer Ruth Brown, whose recordings of "Teardrops In My Eyes," "5-10-15 Hours" and "(Mamma) He Treats Your Daughter Mean" shot her to rhythm-and-blues stardom in the 1950's has died.

Brown, who later in life won a Grammy and a Tony, died Friday, November 24, of complications from a stroke and heart attack at a Las Vegas-area hospital, said Lindajo Loftus, a publicist for the Rhythm & Blues Foundation, which Brown helped establish.

"Ruth was one of the most important and beloved figures in modern music," singer Bonnie Raitt said in a statement. "You can hear her influence in everyone from Little Richard to Etta (James), Aretha (Franklin), Janis (Joplin) and divas like Christina Aguilera today."

Brown's soulful voice produced dozens of hits for Atlantic Records, cementing the fledgling record label's reputation as an R&B powerhouse. Trained in a church choir in her hometown of Portsmouth, VA, Brown sang a range of style from jazz to gospel-blues in such hits as "So Long" and "Teardrops in My Eyes."

Brown continued to perform and record in her later years, becoming a popular host of National Public Radio's "Harlem Hit Parade."

Robert Lockwood Jr., 91

Robert Lockwood Jr. of Cleveland, OH, a pioneering Mississippi Delta Blues guitarist and singer who forged a career in Cleveland, died Tuesday, November 21, of respiratory failure.

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**Join the Caravan December 19
7 PM at Chappy's Safari
229 - 16th Ave. SW • 7-11 PM FREE
EVENT**

• Musical Host: Juke Joint Sinners
• Emceed by KCKK's "Da Blues" Bob DeForest

Sponsored by: KCKK Radio 88.3 FM, Music Loft, The Guide,
16th Avenue Productions, Linn County Blues Society

Who's Playing Where & When

CALENDAR

Every Saturday: Emie's Jam: Dan Johnson & guests, 4-7
Every Sunday: Checker's Tavem: BLUE SUNDAY, 8 PM (no cover)
Every Sunday: Mahoney's Irish Pub: Various artists (no cover)
Every Sunday: Shack: Blues Jam w/Bryce and DJ, 6-10
Every Sunday: Charlie's, Coralville: Blues Jam, Outta da Blooz, 9-1
Every Tuesday: Rumor's Jam: T-Bone Giblin/Dan Johnson, 8-11
Every Wednesday: Fajita Factory CR: McMurrin & Johnson, 5-8
Every Wednesday: Checker's Tavem: Kevin B.F. Burt Solo, 6-9
Every Wednesday: Mahoney's CR: D-Licious Vinyl w/Bob DeForest, 8-12
Every Thursday: J.M. O'Malley's: T-Bone Giblin Jam Fest

DECEMBER

Fri. 8	Chrome Horse	Funk Daddies
Sat. 9	Chappy's	Public Property
	Chrome Horse	5 of Harts
Sun. 10	Mahoney's Pub	Dr Z's meets EMC, 7-11
Fri. 15	Chrome Horse	Sonic Holiday
Sat. 16	Mahoney's Pub	Aerosol Halo, 9-1
	Chappy's	Monkey Business
	Chrome Horse	Swingin' Richard
Sun. 17	Mahoney's Pub	Tiffany Christopher Band, 7-11
Tue. 19	Chappy's	Blues Caravan w/Juke Joint Sinners
Fri. 22	Chrome Horse	Large Midgets
	Des Moines	Blues Xmas Party, Blues on Grand, 9:30 PM
Sat. 23	Chappy's	The O'Connell Brothers
	Chrome Horse	Gibbs Brothers
	Williamsburg	Sundown Bar & Grill, 8-12
Mon. 25	Chappy's	Sara Cram Productions (3 bands)
Fri. 29	Chrome Horse	Monkey Business
Sat. 30	Chappy's	Meerkats
	Chrome Horse	8 Seconds
	Des Moines	Lil' Ed & Blues Imperials, Blues on Grand
Sun. 31	Davenport	Juke Joint Sinners at Creekside Bar & Grill (new at 3303 Brady Street)
	Des Moines	Rockin' In The Blue Year, 7 bands
		3 states, continuous music starting at 7 PM
	Chrome Horse	All That

It's Out! 25 Years of The Blue Band-2-DVD set

Produced by Iowa Public TV.
 Disc 1: Nearly 3 1/2 hours of music from The Blue Band's 25 year history. Narration by Bob Dorr.
 Disc 2: 25th Anniversary concert recorded on the IPTV soundstage and includes two songs not aired for the IPTV broadcast!
 \$25 includes p&h. Add audio CD for another \$10. www.theblueband.com



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** LCBS COUPON **

- **Save at...Tic Toc Restaurant**
Buy one, get one 1/2 price, on any regular breakfast entree or sandwich
 - **Save at...Genghis Grill**
10% off entire ticket anytime2
 - **Save at...Papa Juan's**
10% discount on meals only
 - **Save at...Hamilton Mortgage**
\$250 off closing costs (ask for Jessica)
- Keep your card & coupon in your wallet or purse & use it.**

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LCBS meeting 1st Monday of month. See you at The Longbranch on the 4th, 6:30 PM, for the LCBS Board & Member meeting. Guests are welcome!

A very special THANK YOU to these businesses who have signed up to help us Keep the Blues Alive:

- ★Cocktails & Co.
- ★Dublin City Pub
- ★The Fifth Gear
- ★Chappy's Safari Lounge
- ★16th Avenue Productions
- ★Chrome Horse
- ★J.M. O'Malleys
- ★Mahoney's
- ★KCKK 88.3
- ★Longbranch
- ★Checker's Tavem
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'Da Blues on KCCK:

Friday:

- 6-10 PM: da Friday Blues with John Heim
- 10-11 PM: Backstage Blues
- 11 PM to Midnight: Beale Street Caravan
- Midnight Blues CD

Saturday:

- 6-10 PM: da Blues with Bobby D
- 10-11 PM: The Crawfish Circuit
- 11 PM-Midnight: The Melting Pot
- Midnight Blues CD

www.kcck.org

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Name _____ Phone ____/____-____

Street _____ City/State/Zip _____

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